

## MANCHESTER CHAMPIONSHIP DOG SHOW 19<sup>TH</sup> January 2024

Minus three degrees, slight covering of snow, yes, the new season for the all-breed championship season was well and truly Christened at the Staffordshire County Showground, perhaps one of the more used venues, once more setting the scene for the hugely popular Manchester Dog Show Society's four-day event. Shelties had drawn a very good entry for a weekday (117), for my tenth time awarding CCs in this country and I was rewarded with a good representative entry with quality in depth. Pleasing that there were 29 puppies on parade with no absentees. My very grateful thanks to my more than efficient stewards, Roberta Wright and Helen Burke for their company and expertise in keeping the ring in order.

**MPD (11)** Miles' Milesend Vintage Gold, homebred s/w with much to like, turned out in best of order in quite competitive class, clearly had the edge in the training stakes, stood his ground throughout, confident with good attitude, very pleasing head properties, good ear set, very pleasing dark eye and expression, good overall make and shape, good shoulder, well off for bone, neat feet, confident on the move, impressive; 2 Haensel's Sherkarl Sole Diva, homebred heavily coated s/w, clean head, good ears, attractive dark eye, intelligent expression, well off for bone, good body shape, pleasing attitude, moved with confidence; 3 Jeavons' Grandgenes Hey Good Lookin.

**PD (5)** Jeavons' Grandgenes Kensington, homebred s/w of great appeal, excellent make and shape, clean head to handle, good ears, nice eye, intelligent expression, well presented in abundant coat, sets himself up well, level topline, well trained for the job in hand, BP & PG3; 2 Miles' Milesend Mulberry, tri of good overall make and shape, turned out in best of order, black coat gleaming, head developing well, pleasing eye and expression, good neck and shoulder, moved out well; 3 Fagg's Valdosta Lionking at Lynscot.

**JD (3)** 1 Stockden's Willowgarth Unlimited Love, fully coated homebred s/w, most pleasing head, dark eye and keen expression, makes best of himself, covered ground well, not lacking in confidence; 2 Winfield's Oakcroft The Mandalorian, homebred honest boy, not glamorous, almost chestnut coloured coat, sound, pleasing head, good expression, good length of back, moved out well; 3 Fagg's Valdosta Lionking at Lynscot.

**YD (4,2)** 1 Robertson & Robertson's Afterglow Goldberg at Vidlinvoe, won this on his overall make and shape and superb movement, sh/s/w presented in excellent condition, balanced head, very good underjaw, good front, handled well; 2 Norris's Farngrove's Valentino JW, homebred s/w of excellent temperament and presentation, pleasing head, good attentive expression, moved well.

**PGD (7)** 1 Mottram's Lundecock's Hoopie-Doo at Lochkaren JW, imp Swe, s/w, looks impressive standing off, well presented in full coat with good body beneath, attractive head, good dark eye and expression, good muzzle, full white shawl, muscular thighs, very good feet; 2 Brady & Lynn's Afterflow Sky Miles to Bordercot, very sound b/m of lovely make and shape, completely different type to 1 and ran him close, good skull, very good ears, toned up all over, very good thigh muscles, good feet, good front, impressive movement; 3 Barnett & Barnetts' Dippersmoor Daquiri at Sonspirit.

**LD (9,3)** 1 Bastiana & John's Auberswell Ghost Rider, most delightful homebred golden s/w of excellent presentation, profuse coat covered a well constructed body, most appealing head, balanced, very good skull, ears and stop, lovely dark eye, intelligent expression, good chin, strong neck, strong rear, good legs and tidy feet, very sound on the move, excellent temperament; 2 Robinson's Lavika Moonlight Storm JW, homebred tri of excellent presentation, black coat gleaming, impressive ring presence, lovely clean head to handle, beautiful eye, alert expression, good skull topped by correct ear carriage, good stop, well constructed throughout as proven by his correct movement, strong legs, good feet and pasterns, impressive, ran 1 close; 3 Forster Parish's Lowick Blueberry.

**OD** This was a real quality class leaving me spoilt for choice, no wonder my principal male winners were set before me. 1 Pearson's Ch Edglonian Golden Graham, rising four, this homebred golden sable is no doubt at his best. Lacks for nothing, beautifully presented in full flowing robes enhanced

by his marvellous body shape. Not lacking for showmanship, has most beautiful head to handle, smooth, clean, everything where it should be, good skull topped by correct ears, gorgeous dark eye and expression, very good stop, muzzle and underjaw, strong neck into good shoulder, moves with such ease, excellent temperament. DCC & RBOB; 2 Stafford's Ch Rannerdale Showmaster JW, attractive homebred s/w, faultless presentation covering well developed muscular body, quality head full of appeal, correct ears, well placed dark eye emitting most endearing, masculine expression, very good stop, strong muzzle, good reach of neck into good shoulder, does not lack for confidence, oozing ring presence and charisma, moved as soundly as his construction would suggest, RCC; 3 Robinson's homebred b/m, Ch Lavika Deep Blue Ocean, from champion parents, and does it show. Have always admired this boy who, rising four, is at his best, unlucky to meet two above, total quality presented in best of condition, quality head, very good ears, lovely, well set, eye, endearing attentive expression, good length of back, correct textured coat covering fit body, dog with attitude, impressive on the move.

**VD (3,1)** 1 Van Ulsen's Int Ch Norw/Fin/Pl/SW/Nl Ch Lundecock's Final Salute, bred from champion parents, top quality seven year old, exudes quality, expertly shown, s/w of excellent make and shape, perfect ears, lovely dark eye, attentive expression, very good muzzle and stop, beautifully groomed coat covering well toned body, good topline, good rear construction, very good mover with impressive side extension, lovely temperament, bags of ring presence, BV; 2 Bird & Caden's Molsen Mr Blue Skye JW, well presented b/m, in very good coat, clean head, soft expression, good front, moved well.

**SBD (3)** 1 Robertsons' Afterglow Goldberg at Vidlinvoe, winner of Yearling, rising two, BSB and delighted to see him awarded G2 in the pastoral SB Group; 2 Ferguson's Dinmore Wild Blue Yonder of Fervaila, b/m pup of happy disposition, clean head, turned out well, moved okay once finding true pace; 3 Graham-Weall's Just For Alex from Lavika.

**MPB (9)** 1 Pearson's Edglonian Golden Glow, the mark of a true champion is its offspring and this encaptivating homebred g/s daughter of the DCC winner encapsulates that statement. Turned out in stunning order, dripping in coat for such a baby, make and shape a chip off the old block. Most pleasing head, eye and expression, good reach of neck, good conformation, good rear construction, excellent temperament. Giving lots away in maturity to feature in BP awards but certainly one with a future; 2 Dunne's Longrange Crystal Moon, another homebred baby, b/m, and also one with bags of potential, quite captivating, clean head, sweet eye and expression, lovely shape, good well presented coat, good legs, excellent feet, very positive on move for age, very good temperament; 3 Robinson's Lavika Sunset Rose.

**PB (8)** 1 Thornley & Withers' Felthorn Good Time Girl, homebred b/m of instant appeal, beautifully presented in full, correct, coat, covering well developed body, ample musculature, head full of appeal, balanced, good skull and ears, correct stop, sweet eye and expression, good reach of neck, very good overall conformation, well made rear, moved with drive, good side extension, lovely disposition, impressive, BPB; 2 Hayhurst's Keycharm Sweet Candy, homebred s/w of good make and shape, lovely clean head, sweet eye and expression, good length of back, kept topline on move, turned out in best of order, pleasing temperament; 3 Redpath's Pathaaron Fair Isle.

**JB (10,3)** 1 Weller's Evad Halloween Spice, though whelped at that time of year, nothing spooky about this homebred s/w, no white collar emphasizing good reach of neck supporting very pretty, well balanced head of correct proportions, super sweet eye, feminine expression, good stop, correct ear carriage, cleanly presented in good coat covering well developed body, prominent on move, good side extension, sound temperament; 2 Barnett, Tunnicliffe & Barne's Dippersmoor In Dreams, super gleaming tri, daughter of OD3 where clearly inherited such good sound movement, lovely eye and expression, most outgoing friendly temperament, baby full of appeal; 3 Lee's Castlerose In Spirit at Chalynwood.

**YB (11,2)** 2 Hayhurst's Keycharm Samba, homebred s/w litter sister to 2nd in puppy, much more advanced, no white collar, emphasizing good reach of neck, appealing head, eye, feminine

expression, good muzzle, perfect ears, good front, very good overall conformation, impressive on the move, good temperament; 2 Gartland's Arcot Take A Moment JW, homebred feminine s/w, thought would be my winner, just outdone by superior movement of 1, quality little lady presented in best of order, loved her head, sweet dark eye, captivating expression, very good ears; 3 Bray's Dandlewood Kiss 'N Tell at Liambray (Imp Ned).

**PGB (8,2)** 1 Goodwin's Rannerdale Honey Bee at Highbrook, rising four, beautiful s/w coming into her own, very responsive to handler, pleasing head, good dark eye, feminine expression, very good ears, in good body covered by well presented coat of correct texture, impressive movement, good side extension, very sound; 2 Ritchie's Jaelis Mystique Reality JW, homebred s/w, ultra feminine, coat almost 'ginger', most pleasing head, eye and expression, good skull and stop, reach of neck, well developed body covered by nicely presented coat, moved with drive, excellent temperament; 3 Wales' Shelegian Truly Timeless.

**LB (8,1)** 1 Mottram's Lundecock's There's No Limit at Lochkaren (imp Swe), s/w glamour puss with skirts aflowing, turned out in extremely good order, clean head, excellent skull and ears, good dark eye, ultra feminine expression, good stop and foreface, sound body beneath all that coat, covered ground well; 2 Bendelow's Channerswick Lotus Flower from Amethrickeh, 3 ½ yo s/s/w of excellent make and shape, pleasing head properties, good ears and stop, well placed dark eyes, feminine expression, good muzzle, body covered in correct textured well presented coat, good length of back, well animated on move; 3 Cheal's Carolelen Call My Bluff at Faemadra.

**OB (12,4)** Excellent quality class. 1 Dunne's Ch/Int Ch Longrange Cailin Dubh, outstanding homebred tri from champion parents who just stood and asked for what she got. Faultlessly presented in full, gleaming coat, oozes ring presence and charisma, head a pleasure to handle, clean, balanced, good skull, perfect ears and stop, lovely set dark feminine eye, good foreface, good reach of neck into good shoulder, wonderful conformation beneath that harsh textured coat, enabling such sound movement and drive from rear. Indeed, it was her excellent movement that won her the day to win the CC & BOB over a dog who can rightly be classed a group dog. So is this little lady of group quality and didn't disappoint in the final standings. Love her; 2 Andersson's Int Ch Nor Swe Fin NI Ch Dandlewood Easy Peasy, most beautiful s/w who, like 1, is of excellent make and shape. Smooth clean head, captivating eye and expression, good stop, muzzle, foreface, neck into good shoulder, shown and handled to great advantage by owner, always getting the best out of her, so animated and smooth on the move, impressive drive from rear, good side extension, super temperament. RCC; 3 Standlick's Ch Lavika Lagoon Blue of Macstanryn, handled by breeder Katya Robinson, yet another from this kennel I have admired, b/m of obvious quality, excellent make and shape with good length of back, her head is a joy to behold, clean balanced, good skull, ever alert ears, well placed stop, lovely foreface, good muzzle, most endearing feminine eye and expression to go with her lovely temperament. Faultless presentation, well animated on the move.

**VB (6,1)** another quality class. 1 Robinson's Lavika Lucky Star JW, though nearly nine, retains youthful shape and condition, balanced, clean head, good skull, ears and stop, foreface and muzzle, beautiful eye and expression, good reach of neck, well developed chest, topline, legs and feet. Most beautiful expression, wonderful mover, super temperament; 2 Jeavons' Slo Ch Navarrem Fortuna Girl (lkc), b/m of outstanding make and shape, level topline, well built rear enabling such impressive drive, pleasing head, eye and expression, good ears, skull and stop, good reach of neck, earned place on movement; 3 Robinson's Ch Lavika Black Beauty JW.

SBB (4) 1 Wales' Shelegian Truly Timeless; 2 Diviney's Divinecroi's Bonny Ailbhe; 3 Robertson's Edglonian Prime Time at Vidlinvoe.

**Judge - Geoff Duffield**